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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The applicants respectfully request that the reference listed on the attached PTO/SB/08A be considered in the examination of the above-identified application. A copy of the reference is enclosed.

Reference AO is a Notice of Rejection Ground from the Japanese Patent Office in counterpart Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-357484. A copy of that Japanese Notice of Rejection Ground, as well as an English language translation thereof, is provided. Please note that Japanese Patent Application Publication Nos. 2001-156723 and 2003-224677, cited

in reference AO, are already of record (as references AC and AD, respectively). To supplement the IDS filed on June 19, 2006 (not a part of this IDS), enclosed are (1) a further partial English-language translation of reference AC, and (2) a further partial English-language translation of reference AD. The portions of these references cited correspond to portions cited in reference AO.

The applicants reserve the right to establish that any of the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08A are not prior art to the above-captioned application.

Since a first Office Action on the merits has not yet been received, the applicants assume that this Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") should be considered under 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.97(b)(3). **Accordingly, it is believed that no fee is due.**

If, however, an Office Action on the merits has been mailed before the filing date of this Information Disclosure Statement, then this Information Disclosure Statement should be considered under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(1). A statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1) is provided.

Certification Under 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1):

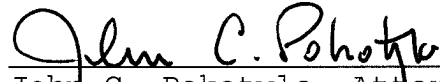
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submitted herewith considered, the Patent Office is authorized to charge said fee to the deposit account of Straub & Pokotylo, deposit account number 50-1049.

Respectfully submitted,

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